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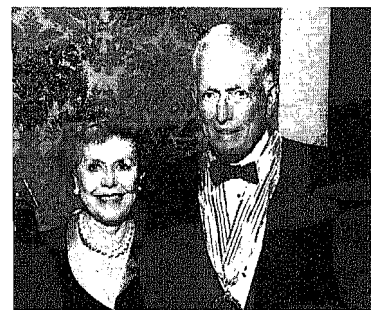
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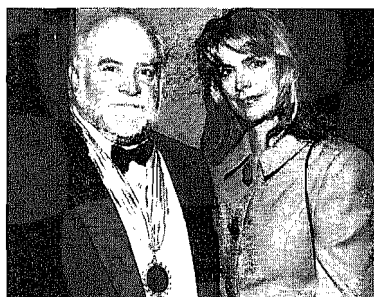
On October 27, 1999, Dr. and Mrs. David A. Ott invited some of Houston's most fascinating people to join the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library for an evening of conversation and new ideas. Many Houstonians responded to the invitation and joined the Friends at the Houston Country Club for cocktails and dinner. The evening was a celebration of the fifty years the Houston Academy of Medicine–Texas Medical Center Library has served the Houston community. Since 1958, the funds raised by the Friends (over \$250,000 in 1999) have been used to support the Library's biomedical and nursing collections, services to the public and the health care community, or special projects which are not a part of the Library's budget.

Recently the Friends selected two such areas on which to focus their support. One, the Jesse H. Jones Community Health Information Service, allows the Library to reach out into the community, providing information on diseases and health care to the public and joining with public libraries and public health agencies to improve access to health information in Houston. One component of this project is the TEXAS HealthInfo Website (txhi.library.tmc.edu).



Dr. & Mrs. Denton Cooley

A second project facilitated by the Friends is that of prioritizing and processing special collections relating to the history and development of the Texas Medical Center (See story in *Library Lines* 11:1 to make them available for researchers. Several members of the Friends Board of Directors have been working closely with the staff of the Library's John P. McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center to solicit new manuscript collections and secure gifts for the historical collections.



Mr. & Mrs. L. Irvin Barnhart

Many thanks are due the 1999 Dinner Committee, notably Dr. and Mrs. David Ott, and to all the members of the Friends Board for their work on the Library's behalf. Thanks specially to this year's Most Fascinating honorees. Researchers in Houston's medical history and members of the community seeking health care information will benefit for years to come from the generosity of the Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library.

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Opening Event 9:30-10:00

Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library, check presentation to fund the Houston Medical History Project. Earl J. Brewer, Jr., MD, President, and J. Robert Beck, MD, Interim Executive Director, HAM-TMC Library (Videoconference Room, Lower Level)

Library Tours

Walking Tours — Every Hour on the Half Hour

10:30, **11:30 (*En Español*)**, 12:30, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:30, 5:30, and 6:30 pm.

Come see where various collections and library services are located.

(Meet on First Floor by the Information Desk)

Jesse H. Jones Community Health Information Service (First Floor)

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| 10:00 | Health Information and Consumer Health Website |
| 12:30 | Health Information and Consumer Health Website |
| 2:30 | Health Information and Consumer Health Website |
| 4:00 | Health Information and Consumer Health Website |

Library Computer Demonstrations (Second Floor - Room 209)

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| 11:00 | Finding Health Information on the Internet |
| 3:30 | <i>Finding Health Information on the Internet — En Español</i> |
| 5:00 | Finding Health Information on the Internet |
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Informal Discussions on Medical Libraries and Health Information (Videoconference Room - Lower Level)

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| 12:00 | J. Robert Beck, MD, <i>High Tech in Library Service and Scholarship.</i> |
| 1:00 | Earl J. Brewer, MD, President, <i>Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library.</i> |
| 2:00 | Renee Bougard, MLIS, <i>National Network of Libraries of Medicine, South Central Region.</i> |
| 3:00 | Deborah Halsted, MLS, <i>HAM-TMC Library Public Health Project.</i> |

McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center (Second Floor)

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| 10:00 | Highlights from the John P. McGovern History of Medicine Collection — Special Exhibit — Elizabeth White |
| 11:00 | Sneak Preview — Come see the first bootls in the McGovern Digital Library — Daniel P. Wirt, MD |
| 12:30 | Collections of Personal Papers in the McGovern Center — Elizabeth White |
| 2:00 | What is This Old Book Worth? Bring one or two of your old books and learn how to search for information using the Intel-net — Daniel P. Wirt, MD, and Elizabeth White |
| 3:00 | Special Bindings on Special Books — Come see the many ways book pages are protected by leather and paper covers — Dennis Moser |
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February 29, 2000 — You Have an Extra Day!

We mapped it out!

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Explore the Treasures in the
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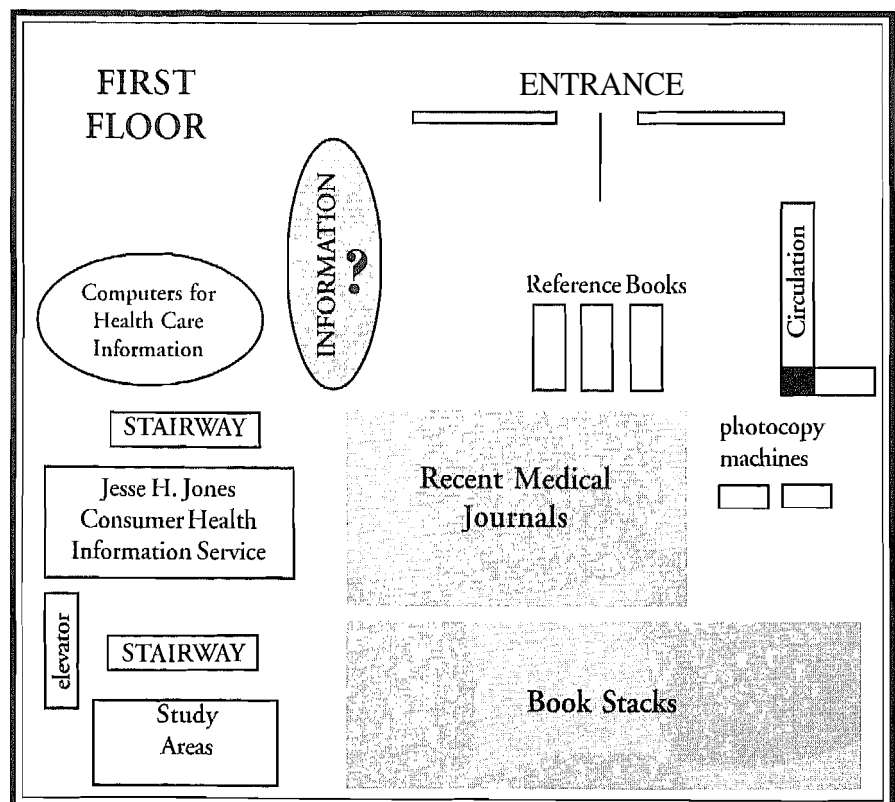
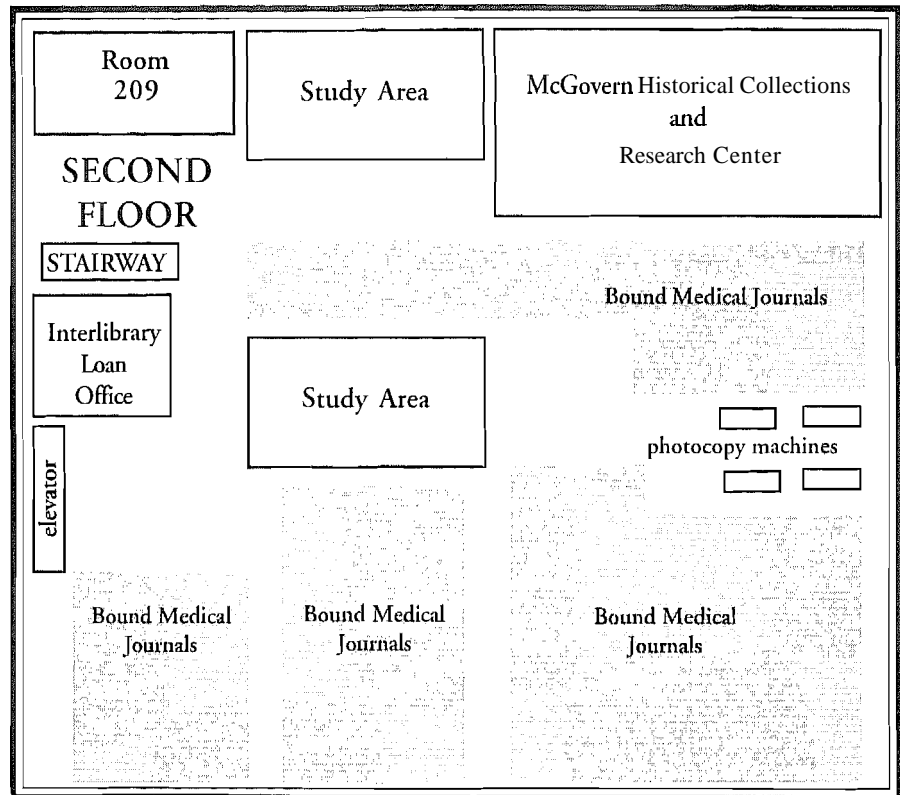
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Dr. R. Lee Clark (on left) and Dr. Frederick C. Elliott are pictured reviewing plans for future expansion of the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center (circa 1962)

The John P. McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center is the only historical repository with a major focus on collecting and preserving documents concerning the history of health care in Houston, Texas. The manuscript collections in the McGovern Center are not just of regional interest; they record the achievements of individuals and institutions that have influenced national health care policy and have been innovators in medical and surgical care.

Over the past decade, marvelous collections have been donated to the HAM-TMC Library. These include the personal and professional papers of R. Lee Clark, MD, Sam A. Nixon, MD, Frederick C. Elliott, DDS, Russell J. Blattner, MD, Dr. Ernst Knobil and Joseph L. Melnick, PhD. These collections and hundreds more provide the foundation for all future research on the history of health care in Houston and the development of the Texas Medical Center.

The Friends of the Texas Medical Center Library have made a major commitment to this historical project by donating \$180,000 to process collections and to provide public access in print and electronic form to the catalogue of collections and to selected documents within them. Two new staff members, a project archivist and a technician, will process collections of personal papers already in the archive, prepare guides to historical collections, and help to index the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners licensure files.

Over four hundred titles — newsletters, journals and reports from Texas Medical Center hospitals and schools — will be added to the Library's online catalog. Beginning with the 1950's, the early days of the Texas Medical Center, these materials document the stages of institutional development and the generous contributions made by Houstonians to biomedical research and health education. Some of the earliest, most fragile newsletters will be scanned for viewing on the Internet.

The Houston Medical History Project outlined above is part of a much larger project, the John P. McGovern Digital History of Medicine Library. To support this digital library, the HAM-TMC Library will fund additional personnel and equipment to provide web access to materials on Texas medical history. For further information please contact Elizabeth White, Director, John P. McGovern Historical Collections and Research Center (Tel. 713-799-7139), or E-mail (bethw@library.tmc.edu).



This photograph of Dr. Russell Blattner (on right) reviewing plans for Texas Children's Hospital with Dr. David Gveev (on left) and Mr. M.F. Martin is one of nearly 10,000 photographs in the McGovern Center documenting Houston's medical history

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